

REMARKS

Claims 1-3, 5-6, 8-11, and 13-18 were pending and stood rejected prior to the present amendment. Claims 1, 5, 11, and 14 are amended and Claim 8 is canceled. Claims 19-30 are newly presented. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims.

Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. §112

Claim 8 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being a duplicate of Claim 5. Claim 8 is accordingly canceled.

Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. §103

Claim 1-3, 5, 6, 8-11 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Chung (US 6,870,187) taken with Yamamoto (US 2002/0182766). Claims 14 and 18 are rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kim et al (US 2006/0092361). Claims 16 and 17 are rejected as Claims 1 and 11 above, but further in view of Kim.

Applicant respectfully traverses the Examiner's rejection.

As amended, Claim 1 recites “a plurality of color filters formed above the thin film transistor, wherein two of the color filters overlap each other at a location directly above [a] portion of the thin film transistor” and “a light blocking layer [is] provided to block light reflected from [that] portion of the thin film transistor.” However, the combination of Chung and Yamamoto does not disclose these limitations. Chung does not disclose color filters and the

blocking layer. Yamamoto discloses color filters but does not disclose two color filters that overlap at a location above the thin film transistor and the blocking layer blocking light reflected from that overlap location. Claim 1, as amended, is thus patentable over Yamamoto and Chung for at least the reason that it recites “a plurality of color filters formed above the thin film transistor, wherein two of the color filters overlap each other at a location directly above the portion of the thin film transistor,” and “a light blocking layer provided to block light reflected from [that] portion of the thin film transistor.” Amended Claims 11 and 14 are also patentable over Yamamoto for at least this same reason.

Claims 2-3, 5-6, 9-10, 13, and 15-18 depend from claims 1, 11, and 14 and are thus also patentable at least for the reason of dependency on allowable claims. Applicants respectfully request the rejections to Claims 1-3, 5-6, 9-11, and 13-18 be withdrawn.

Newly presented Claims 19-30 are believed allowable over the prior art of record.

Conclusion

In light of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully request that the rejections and objections be withdrawn and the claims allowed. Should any other action be contemplated by the Examiner, it is respectfully requested that he contact the undersigned at (408) 392-9250 to discuss the application.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2257 for any matter in connection with this response, including any fee for extension of time and/or fee for additional claims, which may be required.

Respectfully submitted,

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